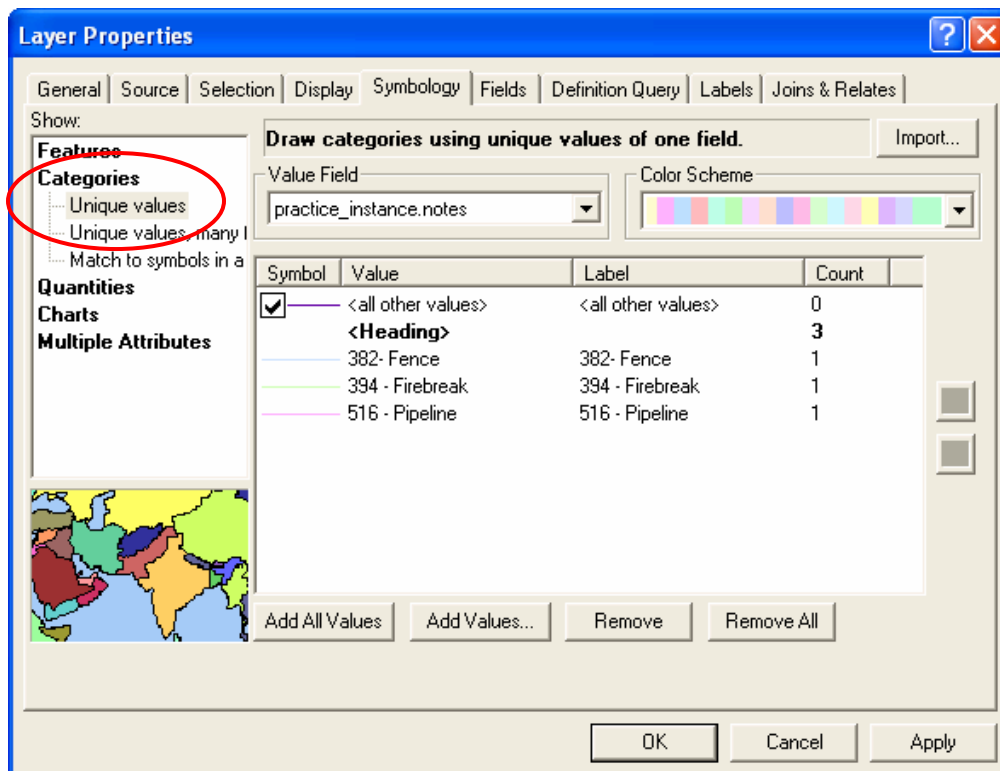# Set Up Legends Using Unique Values

August, 2005

KMM

This feature is typically used with Practices Layers and Resource Inventory Layers, however, it can be utilized with the Planned Land Unit (PLU) Layers and even the Soils Layer.

1. Make sure **all** practice features have been attributed.

2. In the **Table of Contents** (left side of the screen), right click on the layer name.

3. Select **Properties** (the Layers Properties dialog window will open).

4. Select the **Symbology** tab.

5. In the **Show** area, select **Categories** and **Unique Values** for the legend type.

6. In the **Value Field** area, select the attribute from the drop-down list for sorting. You can use any of the values that show up in the value field. Examples are:
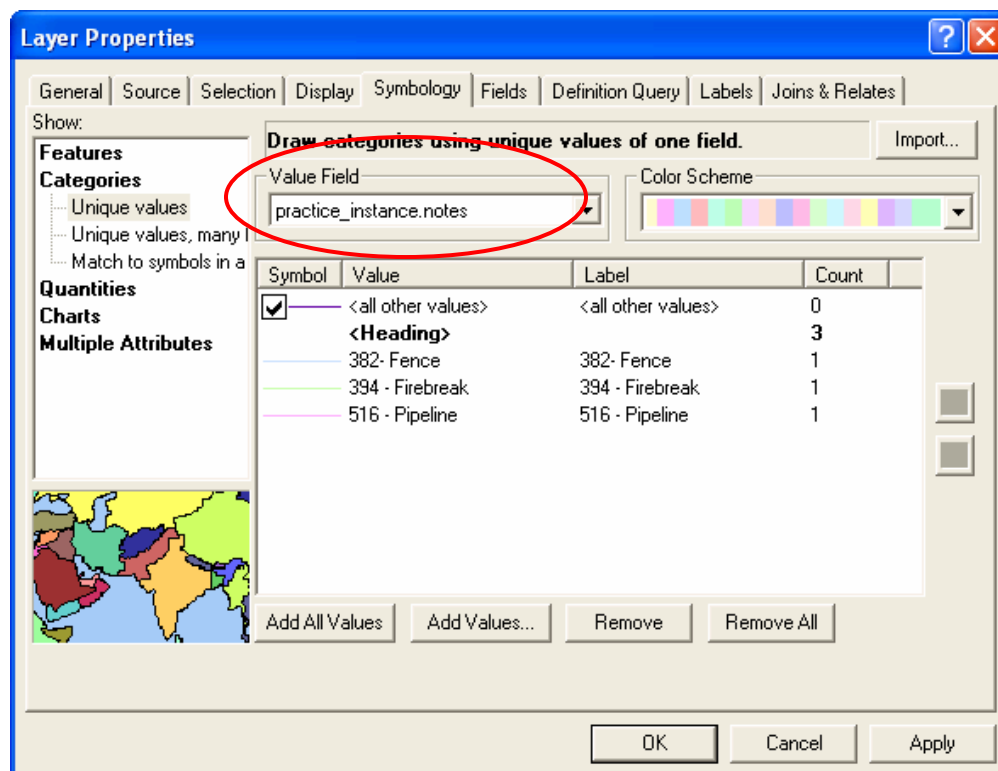
   A. **For Practices Layers**:

      a. If you enter specific notes when you attributed the practices layer, you can choose **practice_instance.notes**

      b. If you did not enter notes, you can simply choose **practice_name.**

   B. **For Soils Layers**:

      a. You can choose **MUSYM** and all map unit symbols listed in your map will each be assigned a different color.
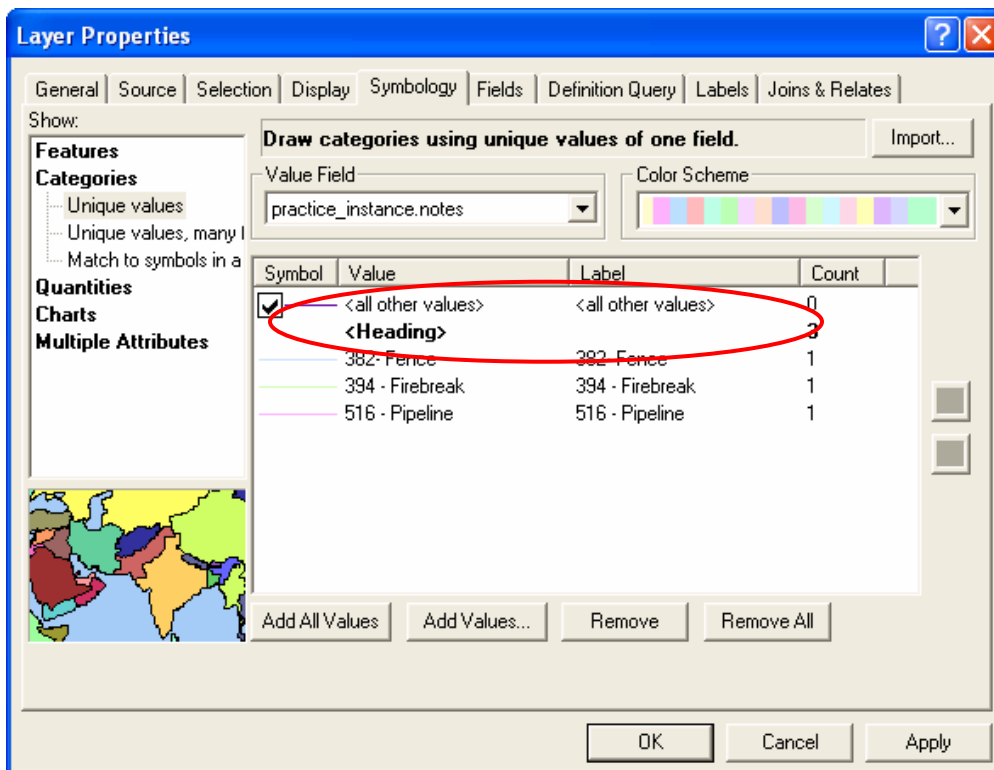
   C. **For Planned Land Unit Layer**:

      a. If you have multiple tracts in your PLU layer called Consplan, especially if they are contiguous, you can choose **Tract number** and assign a different color to each tract.
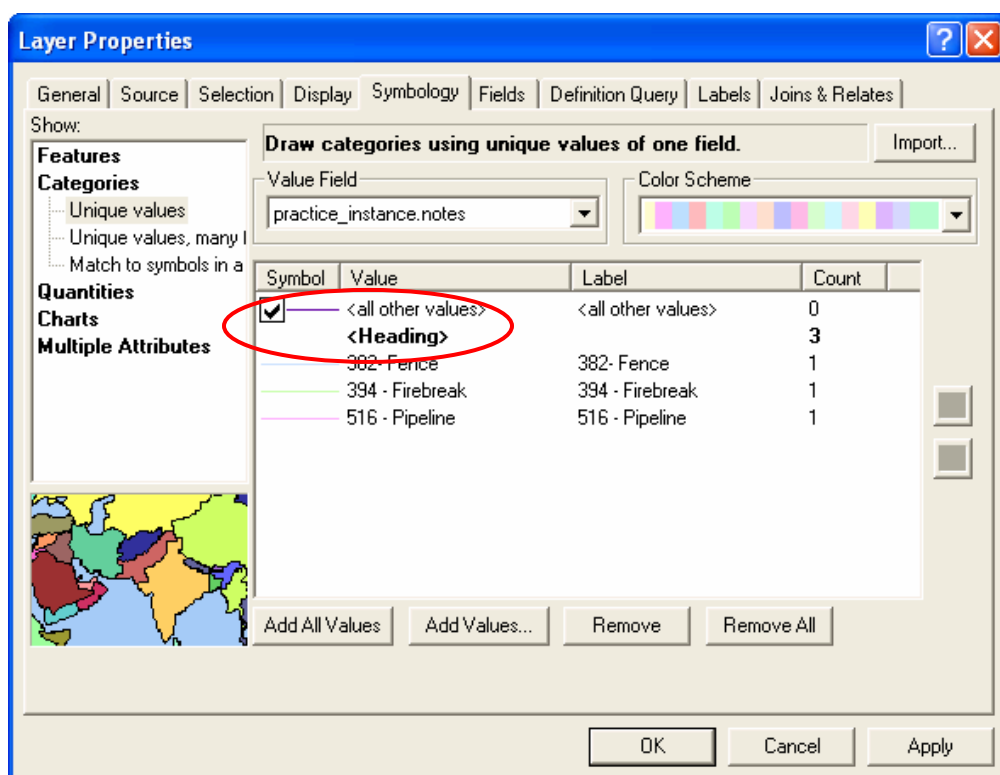

7. Click **Add All Values.**

8. As needed, you may need to click **Remove Values** if you have any "*NULL*" values being listed, or just values that you don't want to be listed.

9. Click **Apply**.

10. In the Values list, there will be a Value called **<Heading>**. Click in the Label column on the Label name (*Practice_instance.notes, Practice_name, Tract number, or Musym*) and hit the **Backspace** key to delete the Label name.

11. Click **Apply**.

12. You may want to **uncheck** the box beside **<all other values>** so that it is not listed in the Table of Contents or your map legend.

    NOTE: If you uncheck the box, you will need to check the box back if you ever want to edit the layer. Failure to put the check mark back will result in missing lines that you edit.

13. Once you are done, click **OK.**

14. Make sure to right click on the Layer Name and choose **Save Symbology.**